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In re: Helma et al. Confirmation No.: 3907
Appl. No.: 10/807,658 Group Art Unit: 2861
Filed: March 24, 2004 Examiner: TBA
For: CARD-CLEANING ASSEMBLY FOR CARD PRINTING DEVICES

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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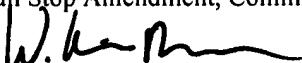


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
37 CFR § 1.115

Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment before calculating the claim fee and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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